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MENTORING PROGRAMS

Mentoring USA

Bronx County, Kings County, New York County, Queens County, Richmond County

Mentoring USA details New York City mentoring opportunities.

http://www.helpusa.org/site/PageServer?pagename=MUSA_Homepage

Mentoring Partnership of New York

Bronx County, Kings County, New York County, Queens County, Richmond County

The Mentoring Partnership of New York provides information about mentoring programs, how to become a mentor, and how parents and teachers can locate mentors.

<http://www.mentoring.org/newyork/>

Mentoring Partnership of Long Island

Nassau County, Suffolk County

The Mentoring Partnership of Long Island attempts to pair Long Island youth with a caring adult in a quality, structured mentoring program.

Contact: Jean Lahage Cohen, Executive Director, 631-761-7800, info@mentorkids.org

Who is eligible? Nassau and Suffolk County elementary and high school students.

How to apply: Call 631-761-7800 or e-mail info@mentorkids.org

Program Schedule: Minimum one year from start of pairing.

NEW VISION LAW AND GOVERNMENT

Oswego County

This is a competitive mentoring/shadowing program for college-bound seniors with an interest in law and government offered by the Oswego County BOCES-BRTCC. Students work with court staff for two hours, two days a week, for four weeks and earn college credit.

Contact: Maureen Ball, 315-583-8400, mball@courts.state.ny.us

Who is eligible? College-bound high school seniors in Oswego County.

How to apply: Students apply to OSWEGO-BOCES counselors in the month of September, and must submit letters of recommendation to and be interviewed by a panel of local county officials.

Program Schedule: School Year

PROJECT P.A.T.C.H.
Suffolk County

Project PATCH facilitates law and citizenship education programs throughout the nine-school Northport district. The program partners with the courts, local law enforcement, Touro Law Center and the State Bar's Law, Youth and Citizenship Program.

Contact: David A. Scott, 631-262-6874, www.northport.k12.ny.us/~patch

Who is eligible? K-12 students from the East Northport Union Free School District.

How to apply: Call David Scott, 631-262-6874 for details.

Program Schedule: School Year and 5-day Summer Institute

QUEENS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION AMERICAN PRINCIPLES COMMITTEE
Queens County

Forty students from Queens high schools convene in Albany, New York, to observe the operations of the three branches of government. Included in the trip is a visit to the Court of Appeals, the state's highest court.

Contact: Arthur Terranova, 718-291-4500, QCBA@qcba.org

Who is eligible? Queens high school students.

How to apply: Students are selected by their respective Queens high schools. If you have any interest, please discuss the program with a teacher or administrator at your school.

Program Schedule: School Year

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Children for Children

Bronx County, Kings County, New York County, Queens County, Richmond County

This website (www.childrenforchildren.org) links to a Kids for Community Program seeking volunteers of all ages in New York City.

<http://www.kidsforcommunity.org/find.asp>

Youth Service America (YSA)

Statewide

The YSA program is committed to "building a global culture of engaged youth who are committed to a lifetime of service, learning, leadership, and achievement."

<http://www.ysa.org>. YSA sponsors a site that link volunteers with opportunities.

<http://servenet.org/Toolkit/ServiceOpportunities/FindOpportunities/tabid/58/Default.aspx>

YOUTH SERVICE ADVOCATE PROGRAM

Statewide

The New York State Bar Association inaugurated its Youth Service Advocate Program on April 30, 2007. It's designed to encourage, recognize and honor volunteer service in the community on law-related projects. An extraordinary applicant will be chosen to receive an honorary designation during the 2008 Law Day celebration hosted by the New York State Court of Appeals in Albany.

Contact: New York State Bar Association Law Youth & Citizenship Program, 518- 486-1748, lyc@nysba.org

Who is eligible? New York State students ages 10 through 18.

How to apply: A program brochure and application are available at www.nysba.org/YouthServiceAdvocate, with students eligible to apply at the beginning of the 2008 academic year.